

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Confirmation No.: 6083
Louis Scheffer) Group Art Unit: 2825
Serial No.: 10/660,986) Examiner: Siek, Vuthe
Filed: September 12, 2003)
For: AUTOMATIC INSERTION OF CLOCKED ELEMENTS INTO AN ELECTRONIC DESIGN TO IMPROVE SYSTEM PERFORMANCE))))

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R §1.114 AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This RCE and Amendment/Response is in reply to the Office Action dated September 27, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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A complete listing of the pending claims is provided below.